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BY HAND DELIVERY (AND FACSIMILE)

Mr. Lawrence H. Norton
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5440 – Carol Browner

Dear Mr. Norton:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Carol Browner in response to the complaint filed by the Republican National Committee and Bush-Cheney '04, Inc. and subsequently labeled MUR no. 5440.

For the reasons set forth below, the Federal Election Commission should find no reason to believe that Ms. Browner has violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended or the Commission's regulations, and it should dismiss this matter.

The complaint identifies Carol Browner as the leader of Environment 2004. Complaint at p. 27. This is false. The complaint includes Environment 2004's Internal Revenue Service Form 8871 in Attachment H. The Form 8871 clearly identifies Carol Browner as only one of twenty-one directors of Environment 2004. Ms. Browner does not hold a position as an officer of the organization.

The complaint does not include any allegations or evidence that Ms. Browner was a participant in any violation of federal law. Except for the misidentification of Ms. Browner's position at Environment 2004, she is not referenced at all in the complaint, and there is no description of her activities whatsoever. The only description of Environment 2004's activities is an e-mail solicitation, found in the complaint at Attachment H. Ms. Browner was not involved in the creation or distribution of that e-mail solicitation, nor did she have any knowledge of its creation or distribution.

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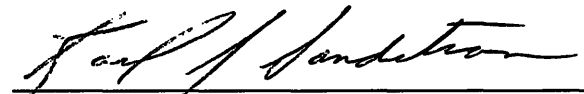
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Fashioned solely to achieve complainants' political ends, the complaint as against Carol Browner is an abuse of the enforcement process. If the Commission fails to dismiss the complaint, the Commission acquiesces in this abuse. Under these circumstance the Commission should act promptly to protect the integrity of its enforcement process. In doing so it will also protect the reputation of Carol Browner and others mentioned in the complaint, whose only transgression is to criticize the political policies of the complainants.

For the reasons detailed above, Carol Browner respectfully requests that the Commission dismiss the complaint.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karl J. Sandstrom", written over a horizontal line.

Karl J. Sandstrom

On behalf of Carol Browner

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